

## REMARKS

Claims 1-26 are pending. Claim 23 is amended to clarify the claimed subject matter. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested in view of the remarks filed in the previous response.

It is respectfully urged that the subject application is now in condition for allowance. The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number if in the opinion of the Examiner such a telephone conference would expedite or aid the prosecution and examination of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

DATE: February 5, 2008

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stephen R. Tkacs', is written over a horizontal line.

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